

and has selected for Christmas, sporting guns, soldierly outfits, mounted or jeweled riding crops, other appropriate articles for the twenty or thirty ladies and gentlemen attached to his household. He gives portraits with his autograph, richly framed, porcelain and cel boxes, of which he is exceedingly fond.

The crown prince and Prince Kitel establishments of their own at Adam, in which they repair after family gathering to have similar tribulations of presents to members

GIFT SUGGESTIONS

If the sales clerk tells you that what you ask for is not in stock, ask to see the head of the stock. She will see that you are satisfied.

If possible do your shopping this morning. The store is always thronged in the afternoon and evening.

To-Day & To-Morrow, then Christmas

JUST TWO MORE BUYING DAYS—

EVERYONE MUST BE THOUGHT OF NOW. Of course you will be hurried and have use for even more minutes than there are—that is why

Gottschalk's is Open Evenings Now

In spite of the tremendous sales of holiday goods of the past two weeks, lines are still unbroken. But we can't rely on them remaining in that condition much longer if this furious buying continues. Better make your selections today.

A glove or merchandise order from Gottschalk's would prove most acceptable.

To assure prompt delivery of goods and avoid annoying errors, see that the salesclerk writes your name and address correctly.

Mowing Down Toys and Dolls

Selling has been wonderful. Vast inroads have been made all along the line. An army of sales-people handing them out as quickly as checks can be made. Better hurry for your share—Lower floor.

Shooflys and Galloping Swing Horses \$1.10, \$1.50, and up.
Iron Fire Engines, 25c, 50c, and \$1 each.
Air Rifles, 95c, \$1.05, \$1.75.
Tool Chests, 25c, 50c, 75c each.
Racing Automobiles, 50c each.
Drums, 25c, 50c, 75c, \$1.25 and up.
Iron Banks, 35c, 75c, \$1, and \$1.35 each.
Doll Trunks, 50c, 75c, \$1 to \$3.50 each.
Toy Pianos, 35c, 75c, \$1.25, \$1.50 to \$5.50 each.

Dolls, 25c, 50c, 75c, \$1.35, \$1.75, to \$8.50 each.
Doll Heads, 10c to \$2 each.
Doll Carriages and Go-Carts, 50c, 75c, to \$3.50 each.
Doll Bureaus, 50c, 75c, \$1 and \$1.50 each.
Doll Trunks, 50c, 75c, \$1 to \$3.50 each.
Teddy Bears and Dolls all sizes, colors and kinds, from 25c to \$5 each.
A. B. C. Building Blocks, 15c, 25c, and 50c box.
China Tea Sets, 75c, \$1.25, \$2.50 a set.
Story and Picture Books 10c, 15c, to \$1.65.
Games, 5c, 10c, 15c, 25c, 50c, 75c, to \$4.50.

Books for Holiday Gifts

Practice Thrift in Buying as You Exercise Judgment in Selecting Titles.

You may not want to purchase late copyrighted fiction—the books the publishers list at \$1.50. If you do, you can buy such books here for 50c a copy. In every other store you must pay much more.

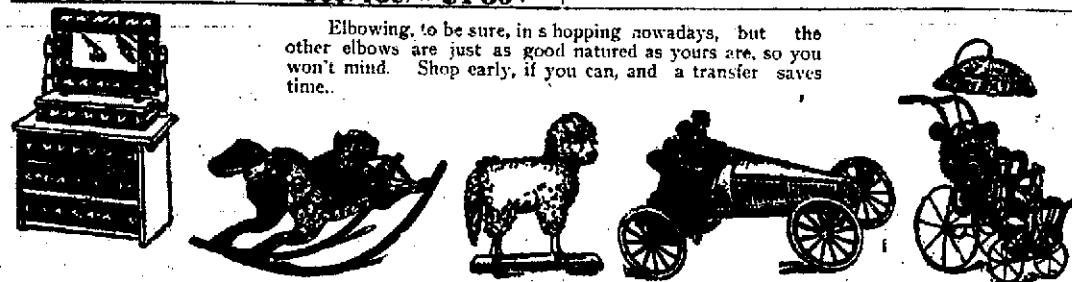
If you desire Gift Books, standard sets and the like, you can buy them here at prices fully 25 per cent less than others charge.

Do you wonder at the enormous volume of business this Gottschalk Book Store transacts.

STORE OPEN EVENINGS, tonight and tomorrow eve.

—Make it a point to plan a visit to this store before you leave home. Have your friends meet you here. Make it your headquarters.

Elbowing, to be sure, in shopping nowadays, but the other elbows are just as good natured as yours are, so you won't mind. Shop early, if you can, and a transfer saves time.



A Thousand Waists for Xmas Presents

Every style and every material represented in our splendid stocks of waists and the values we are offering are superb—A few hints—

\$1.25 odd lots of Albatross Waists, mostly black and navy blue.
\$1.50 Fancy Madras tailored Waists, \$1.19.
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\$2.25 Colored Linen and White Tailored Waists, \$1.50.
\$2.75 heavy White and Colored, Madras, \$1.98.
\$2.00 Cream Alpacas, neatly tailored, \$2.25.
\$2.25 Fancy Alpaca tailored and embroidered, \$2.50.
\$3.50 Embroidered Albatross, colored and cream, \$2.75.
\$4.00 Embroidered Taffeta Silk Waists, long sleeves, open down back, \$3.25.
\$4.25 pretty Embroidered Taffeta Silk Waists, long and short sleeves, \$3.50.
\$5.00 Tailored Taffeta Waists, colors and black, \$3.98.
\$5.00 Ecru Net Waists, cluny insertion, \$3.98.
\$5.50 tailored Taffeta Waists, black and colors, \$4.50.

Women's Neckwear Novelties at Special Prices

Shipments received within the week from New York embrace many hand-embroidered novelties selected especially for the holiday trade. Naturally, such late-comers include many exclusive ideas of especial interest to women seeking gifts in dress accessories far removed from the commonplace.

In this latest importation are Coat Collars, Yokes, and Linen Collars; Crepe de Chine Scarfs in beautiful floral and Persian effects; Irish Crochet Collar and Cuff Sets, Coat Collars, Chemisettes and Yokes

Silk Hosiery Solves Many a Perplexing Gift Problem

And here you will find the Hosiery—unsurpassed stocks embracing the products of the foremost manufacturers in France, Germany, England and America. In the imported lines particularly will be found many exclusive novelties, all our own importation. Holiday purchases will be put up in attractive boxes, if patrons desire.

Everybody knows that the most fascinating toy department in the city is here.

Have the children seen it yet?

Gottschalk's

Special Prices on Jewelry continues up to Christmas eve. Mufflers and Neck Ties make regal Christmas presents for men. Don't forget the Glove Orders.

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The Republican Leads... In Circulation And in Giving the News

GIRL IS SECRETARY TO PRESIDENT JORDAN

STANFORD UNIVERSITY, Dec. 22.—The appointment of Miss May Hurlburt, a graduate with the class of 1902, as an assistant secretary to President Jordan has been announced. Miss Hurlburt will come to Stanford next January to take her new position. At present she is in New York city where for the past five years she has been the secretary of the Armstrong association, an organization of prominent New Yorkers who are interested in the work of promoting the welfare of the colored people in this country. In this position she has shown remarkable executive ability and has made a fine reputation by her good work. While at Stanford Miss Hurlburt was one of the most prominent women in the university and was actively interested in college dramatics and literary work. She was one of the best musicians that has ever been at Stanford, and in the production of all college plays she took an active part. Miss Hurlburt was known in college particularly for her executive ability, and she took a leading part in various college activities. As a writer she

contributed to the university publications and did some excellent work in this field. Miss Hurlburt graduated in 1902. While at Stanford she was a member of the Alpha Phi Sorority and of late years has been general secretary of that organization.

WOMEN JURORS DECIDE IN FAVOR OF MALE PLAINTIFF

DENVER, Col., Dec. 22.—It took ten good women and just ten minutes in Justice Carlson's court to find for the plaintiff in the now celebrated case of Victor Porel against Mrs. James Watt. Besides being the first case ever tried before a woman jury, the action had other highly interesting features. The case was a suit case, Victor Porel, "Tallor to Gentlemen" as his sign says, made a \$50 suit for Mrs. Watt, which she claimed did not fit and refused to pay for. He sued for his money, and when the suit was fitted in court the women jurors pronounced it a "lovely fit."

The latest fun now is a luncheon or a dinner party at the Hughes cafe.

COUNTY CORRESPONDENCE

EASTERN STAR ORDER INSTALLS OFFICERS

Lemoore Lodge Holds Public Ceremonies.

J. H. Gearing Passed Away Sunday During an Attack of Apoplexy.

LEMOORE, Dec. 22.—The Eastern Star held a public installation of officers Thursday. A large number of guests assembled in the I. O. O. F. hall to see the pretty drill work and the mode of installation. After the ceremony was over an excellent program was rendered. The first was a selection by Professor Howe, which met with a hearty encore. A mixed quartet composed of Miss Pearl Lobb, Mrs. Herbert Rushton, Harshel Willford and W. T. Dickie was next on the program. Miss Nellie Murdock gave an excellent reading, which met with a hearty response. Another mixed quartet composed of Miss Josie Scully, Mrs. Howe, Mr. Dickie and Professor Howe also had a pleasing number. Dr. Eccles made a few remarks complimentary to the ladies of the Star and the good work they were doing. After this the guests repaired to the banquet room and were served a lunch. The people of this city were shocked Sunday morning to hear of the death of J. H. Gearing, the furniture dealer. Complaining of a headache Saturday, he retired early in the evening and shortly after a physician was summoned. At this time his condition was not serious and he rested well during the night. Sunday morning he grew worse and a consultation of physicians was held, and they pronounced his illness apoplexy. He continued to grow worse and at 10 o'clock Sunday morning he passed away, leaving five children to mourn his loss, Mrs. C. Gray, Mrs. Charles Brown, and Ross, Arthur and George Gearing, all residing in this city.

On last Friday a wedding took place at Visalia, the contracting parties being John Wilson and Miss Vona Creed of Lemoore. The marriage ceremony was performed by the Rev. R. E. Eccles of the Baptist Church of Lemoore. The wedding took place at the home of the groom's sister in that city, following which the young couple left for the north. Both Mr. and Mrs. Wilson are well known in this city and are a popular couple. Mr. Wilson is a young business man of this city while his bride is a niece of Attorney F. Walker.

Joel W. Williams, one of the old pioneer settlers of this section, died at his home near this city Sunday last, after a lingering illness of many weeks. He was a native of Missouri and 66 years old at the time of his death. He first came to this state in the early seventies and was for many years a successful grain raiser. Later he entered into the grape industry, and at the time of his death left one of the neatest vineyards in this country, and other property. Realizing for several weeks that he would never regain his health and that death was inevitable, he settled up his affairs, making a will for the distribution of his property. He was a member of Welcome Lodge F. & A. M. of this city, and during his illness the members extended a brotherly hand in comforting him and did every thing in their power to relieve his suffering. He leaves a wife and one daughter to mourn his loss, and the bereaved family have the sympathy of the entire community in their hour of sorrow.

J. A. Gibson of Los Angeles has been visiting in our city the past week. S. C. Little came back this week from his Captus ranch, and reports an abundance of rain in that locality and everything flourishing.

G. W. Follett and wife left early this week for Crescent, where they will reside.

William Williamson, formerly of Lemoore, arrived here Wednesday from Salt Lake for an extended visit among his friends.

Mrs. Velasquez of San Francisco arrived here Sunday evening on a visit to Mrs. Hatch, north of town.

H. W. Byron and wife left on Monday morning's train for Sebastopol, to attend the funeral of their daughter-in-law, Mrs. William Byron, which took place there Wednesday.

Mrs. Minnie Rhinehart of Congdon, Oregon, arrived here this week and will visit with her mother, Mrs. Mayer, and other relatives.

M. D. Stetley of Hollywood, Los Angeles county, is here visiting the family of Wm. T. Howe. He is so pleased with this locality that he is invested in a 60-acre tract of land down on the Empire ranch near the new town of Stratton.

John Malcom of Lathrop is here visiting his sister, Mrs. George Lobb. Conrad Orton arrived home Wednesday from an extended visit to the Yosemite Valley.

James Williams of Dinuba came down Tuesday to attend the funeral of his uncle, Joel Williams.

The veterans of the Civil War will remember the old Union Post, G. A. R., at Lemoore on Saturday, January 4th. Frank Ballard met with a bad mishap a few days ago. While engaged in opening a box of candy, the hatchet he was using missed its mark and cut a deep gash in his hand.

CELEBRATE ON TENTH WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

Mr. and Mrs. William B. Gring Entertain Friends.

Hundred Dollars Reward for Chicken or Turkey Thieves in Dos Palos.

DOS PALOS, Dec. 22.—Mr. and Mrs. William B. Gring entertained a number of their friends last Tuesday evening in honor of the tenth anniversary of their marriage. The evening was pleasantly spent with music, both vocal and instrumental. Among those present were: Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Nelson, Mr. and Mrs. Ira T. Wilson, Mr. and Mrs. W. Fountain, Mr. and Mrs. James Vandiver, E. Parker, Mr. Gracup, Miss Cruden, Miss Mabel O'Brien, Mrs. D. A. Leonard, Mrs. Jack Vrel, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Miller, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Foreman, Miss Kate E. Jones and Mrs. C. O. Miller. C. O. Miller returned Friday from Merced, where he was serving on the grand jury.

Mrs. C. M. Whitaker and daughter May left Friday for Los Angeles and Pasadena to visit with Mrs. Whitaker's mother who has been in ill health for years. They will return after the holidays.

Mrs. Wallace Nidever left Friday for Fresno. She will also go to Hanford and Visalia before returning.

Frederick Sinclair of Oakland was in Dos Palos Friday.

E. W. Thompson, who has been serving on the grand jury at Merced returned home today.

J. A. Treese of San Francisco was in Dos Palos this week.

Mr. B. Young arrived Friday from San Jose to visit his parents.

Alfred P. of San Francisco was here this week.

J. M. Bull and wife came to Dos Palos Saturday. Mr. Bull went to Newman this week while his wife stayed here to visit friends and acquaintances.

A. E. Thompson and wife were in Dos Palos a few days this week.

W. S. Baker of Philadelphia was here this week.

Bert Hoyle, editor of the local paper accompanied by his wife and baby, went to San Francisco Friday.

G. G. Billington of Oakland was a Dos Palos visitor this week.

A. M. Meals of Berkeley was in Dos Palos this week.

The First-Deer class of the Christian Sunday school met Saturday evening at the home of the pastor, Alfred Brunk.

C. A. Hebard of Oakland was in Dos Palos the first of the week.

F. A. Patchett of Crows Landing, was in Dos Palos on business this week.

Martin Christian was in Los Banos on business this week.

M. J. Coppel of Stockton was here this week.

Mrs. O. D. McPherson returned this week from Oakland where she had been visiting friends for several days.

James Hayes of Stockton was in Dos Palos this week.

Rev. D. M. Steyer preached Sunday evening at the Presbyterian church. Rev. Steyer held services there a couple of weeks ago.

George C. Jones was in Merced this week serving on the grand jury.

County Surveyor A. E. Cowell and his assistant, Edgar Winton, was doing some work here this week.

Miss Mabel O'Brien left today for her home in Merced, where she will spend the holidays.

C. B. Freeman, C. Y. and E. G. Millin arrived Tuesday from Nashville, Tennessee, where they have been for the past three months.

Professor Evans left today for Santa Cruz, where he will attend State Teachers association.

John E. Golarde and Miss Isabel Regallo were married last Wednesday in Fresno. Mrs. Golarde is a daughter of M. F. Regallo of this place.

Miss Cruden left Friday for San Francisco where she will spend Christmas holidays.

A number of the business men of this place have subscribed or hundred dollars toward the arrest and conviction of any chicken or turkey thief in Dos Palos colony.

Mrs. C. E. Walker, who has been in the sanitarium in Fresno for the past two months returned home Saturday very much improved.

The grammar schools closed Friday to remain closed until after the holidays. The teachers treated the children to oranges, apples and bananas, and also distributed the Henry Miller presents.

On account of the inclement weather the monthly bean dinner of the old soldiers was postponed.

JAPANESE STUDENT WINS BONNHIEIM PRIZE

STANFORD UNIVERSITY, Dec. 22.—The Bonnhieim prize of \$150 for the best essay upon the topic of "The Ethics of Racial and National Exclusiveness" was awarded last night to Shobun Arita, a senior in the department of economics, who registers from Saga, Japan. This prize is competed for by the three men who present the best essays upon the topic assigned and the final test is in an oral exposition upon the subject of the essays. Last night the three men who had prepared the best essays in the preliminary contest presented their arguments, and the decision was awarded to the Japanese student after a close contest with two Americans. Each man spoke for twenty minutes, and the winner presented a clear and detailed discussion of the subject in his twenty minutes and the final test in an oral exposition upon the subject of the essays. Last night the three men who had prepared the best essays in the preliminary contest presented their arguments, and the decision was awarded to the Japanese student after a close contest with two Americans.



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Neck Twisting Glasses

Wearers of the old-style far-and-near glass, made by gluing one piece to the foot of the neck, make much complaint of the neck-jerking and neck-twisting necessary to look over and under the line that crosses the lens.

Wearers of the Retfo-Kryptok do not complain. For this far-and-near glass has no visible lines across it, no piece glued on, and is so handsomely made that the glasses of a lady of 60 are indistinguishable from those of a young lady of 20.



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Leather hand bags from 75c to \$12.00
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Gents' cigar cases, from 75c to \$4.50
Pretty jewel boxes, from 90c to \$10.00
Elegant military brushes from \$1.00 to \$10.00
Pretty calendars, 25c to \$4.00
Holly Dux puppets, 25c to \$3.50
Shaving sets, \$1.50 to \$7.50
Collar and cuff boxes, 50c to \$5.00
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STILL DEMAND

STAY OF TROOPS

Telegraphic Appeals Continue to Go to Washington from Goldfield. Sparks Talks More

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—It was stated at the White House tonight that telegraphic appeals sent by civic bodies, mine owners and individuals of Goldfield, Nev., to President Roosevelt, urging upon him the necessity of retaining a portion of the federal troops at Goldfield indefinitely had been received, but that no action had been decided upon.

Adjutant General Ainsworth stated tonight that the order signed by Secretary of War Taft yesterday directed to General Funston for the withdrawal of the federal troops at Goldfield on December 30th was forwarded today.

Another Sparks' Statement. GOLDFIELD, Nev., Dec. 22.—Governor Sparks, it is understood, is preparing a statement of present conditions in Goldfield to be telegraphed to President Roosevelt. The governor is not satisfied that the president yet has the true light on the situation, notwithstanding the report of the Roosevelt commission and the order for the withdrawal of the federal troops on December 30th.

The communication to the president will also, it is said, contain a request for the retention of at least a portion of the troops now here after the date set for their going. The order for the movement of the troops back to their permanent quarters came from General Funston to Colonel Reynolds, in command of the troops here, today.

To supplement the request of the governor to President Roosevelt, a communication has gone to him from Sheriff Ingalls of this county, Benjamin Rosenthal, chairman of the county commissioners, and Commissioner Spinkner. This statement to the president asserts that the county officials will be unable to handle the situation after the departure of the troops, should trouble ensue.

Sheriff Organizing Force. The sheriff is re-organizing his force of deputies and adding thereto. The newly appointed deputies are in the pay of the Goldfield Mine Owners' association, and have begun already to patrol the principal streets in the neighborhood of the mines, armed with shot guns and automatic revolvers.

Acting President Mahoney of the Western Federation of Miners said today after going over the situation with the officers of the local miners' union that the Western Federation of Miners would uphold the local in all that it had previously done and will stand squarely behind it in its future actions. He says there can be with the Goldfield mine owners no compromise which discredits or eliminates the Western Federation and he is not optimistic of any speedy settlement. He will remain some time.

The union pickets surround the mines again today and the guard of the mine owners patrolled close by. Around the property of the Consolidated company a high barbed wire fence is being built.

Commission Hurries to Washington. LOS ANGELES, Dec. 22.—United States Commissioner of Labor Charles F. Noble, and the two officials who assisted him on their way to Washington, it was anticipated that the party would remain at least a day in this city and reservations had been made at the hotel Alexandria, but upon arriving they discovered that connections could be made with a train leaving for the East at 10 o'clock tonight, two hours after their arrival.

Their departure was somewhat of a disappointment to a number of prominent Nevada mine owners now in this city, who had hoped to discuss with them the possibility of a further report to President Roosevelt.

STOCKTON, Dec. 22.—Four reporters of the evening papers will take a prominent part in disbarment proceedings which are about to be instituted by Attorney A. H. Carpenter against District Attorney G. F. McNoble.

This comes as a sequel to the effort recently made by Carpenter to have McNoble indicted for treason and for the libelous and defamatory statements made by him in the matter, and in an interview with several reporters made some statements which angered the attorney.

Today Carpenter petitioned Judge Nutter to appoint a commissioner to take the testimony of the newspaper men with regard to what McNoble said to them in his interview. He charged that McNoble falsely stated to them that he had been acting in the capacity of secretary to the value company, and as such had falsified its reports, and made other defamatory statements regarding him.

Judge Nutter made an order appointing a commissioner who will take the testimony of the reporters. It will be used in the disbarment proceedings. Carpenter also is attempting to disbar A. H. Ashley, a prominent Republican politician, for some long standing grievance.

PAPER IS SUED FOR PREMATURE CRITICISM

Sardou Objects to Having Play Written Up Before It Is Given Public Performance.

PARIS, Dec. 22.—Victorien Sardou, the dramatist, and one of the theaters of this city, have brought suit for \$10,000 and \$20,000 respectively against the Matin for publishing a criticism of a play before its first production. Following the tradition and practice of Paris a dress rehearsal was given the night before the first production for the critics, with the understanding that no criticism of the piece should be published until after the first night. It was this understanding that the Matin violated.

About twenty years ago Gil Blas failed to comply with this tradition in regard to another of Sardou's plays. The author took the matter to court, and was granted \$4,000 damages, which he donated to the Authors' Association.

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Men's Kid Gloves, silk sewed, and triple slitched; made from finest of Swiss kid; a glove other stores ask \$1.75 to \$2.00 for, we price them at \$1.00 and \$1.25

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Men's all-silk neckwear, all one piece silk. Over one hundred fancy patterns to choose from. We have priced them at 50c

A Few Christmas Suggestions

Ladies' Shoes.
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Ladies' Belts.
Ladies' Long Kid Gloves.
Fans.
Ladies' Juliettes.
Ladies' Hose.
Ladies' Net Waists.
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THE WEATHER

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 22.—No change in rain table.
The storm off the Oregon coast last night is now central north of Montana. An area of high pressure is central over northern California and has caused generally clear weather over the southern portion of the Pacific slope. Forecast:
San Joaquin valley: Fair Monday, light north wind.

LOCAL BREVITIES.

See Holland's display ad for Xmas suggestions.
Dr. Cowan, Forsyth Bldg.
Xmas trees K and Fresno.
Ask for Danish Creamery butter.
For the well elegant buck Main 311.
Fixtures for sale at the Broken Dollar store, 1915 Tulare St.
Lawn dressing and sheep manure at Hocking's, 1235 J Street.
The regular meeting of the O. E. S. will be held this evening.
Dr. Kearns' lenses restore lost vision. Investigate, 2205 Mariposa.
A meeting of the Ministerial Union will be held at 10 o'clock this morning.
Christmas presents for men at Nymann's, 1924 Mariposa St.
For Christmas trees call at Fancher Creek nursery sales yard 1215 J Street.
Hughes Hotel Grill is first class and very popular. Music every evening and after theater. Tables reserved.
A seven roomed house with three ices and fine shady lawn for sale at 748 N. St. Inquire at room 307, Land Co. building.
Holiday furnishings for men, both robes, suit cases, refecters, handkerchiefs, neckwear, suspenders, hosiery, at Nymann's, 1924 Mariposa St.

DIED

DULGARIAN.—At Del Rey, December 21, 1907, H. Dulgarian, a native of Armenia, aged 50 years.
Funeral notice later.
STAVEL.—At 115 Glenn avenue, December 22, 1907, John Stavel, a native of Pennsylvania, aged 37 years, 3 months and 21 days.
Funeral services will be held at St. Philip & Beau's parlor at 2 o'clock this afternoon, Rev. Wood of the Methodist Episcopal church officiating. Interment Mountain View cemetery.
McGOWAN.—At 625 D street, December 22, Charles McGowan, a native of New York, aged 72 years and 21 days.
Funeral notice later.

"A MOTHER'S LOVE" IS BILLED AT THE NOVELTY

Four-Act Comedy Drama Will Be Played During the Christmas Week.

At the Novelty Theater tonight a four-act comedy drama entitled "A Mother's Love" will receive its first presentation and will be the bill for the remainder of the week, with the usual matinee including Christmas. This play has been well received throughout the East and was chosen after careful deliberation for the Christmas week offering. Twelve new members will make their appearance with the company this week, including Charles Calkins, who will be remembered here as a leading man with the Green company and a former member of San Francisco's players of San Francisco, will also make his first appearance and John Grand. This will strengthen the company to quite an extent, new and special scenery has been prepared for this play and no expense has been spared to make this a noteworthy production. The usual moving pictures will be given.

For coal, coke, oak wood and Clovis blocks, try Main 299. Fresno Fuel company.

LOYD OSBOURNE'S FAMILY TROUBLES

Too Much Mother-in-Law Causes Difficulties.

Story of An Author Who Is Bothered by Sordid Details of the Nursery.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 22.—Lloyd Osbourne, successful author, stepson of Robert Louis Stevenson and patron of Edward Salisbury Fildes, the author of "A Six Cylinder Carriage," and a number of short stories, is to be made defendant in a suit for maintenance which will be brought soon by his wife, who now lives in the house built by the Stevensons and Osbournes at 1100 Lombard street. Osbourne is on the continent of Europe, and it is said that he is remaining there to avoid the serving of papers. His wife meanwhile is compelled to rent rooms in order to support herself and their children. For a time, it is said, Osbourne supplied her with \$75 a month, but after a time his letters, while affectionate, contained no money. She does not deny that suit is to be brought. In fact, it is learned on the best authority that the papers have been prepared.

Back of this domestic drama is a story of mother-in-law and of an artistic spirit hampered in its development. When the Osbournes were married they and Mrs. Stevenson combined to build the famous country double mansion which stands on Lombard and Hyde streets, on the slope of Russian hill. It is one of the landmarks of the hill and both portions of it command a far stretching view of the bay and ocean. It was built with two entrances, one on Hyde street for the use of Mrs. Stevenson, and one on Lombard street for the Osbournes.

For awhile the two families lived in felicity, but in time differences cropped up. It is said by Mrs. Osbourne's friends that Mrs. Stevenson took a strong dislike to her daughter-in-law and that she was not backward about showing her antipathy. Besides, according to the stories told, Osbourne said that his literary talent would not stand full scope under domestic restraint. Children and household affairs upset him, broke his train of thought and drove plots out of his head. So he went east, allowing his wife \$75 a month for the support of herself and her children. For a few months he has been in Europe.

Mrs. Osbourne remained here for a time, then, feeling that she could live cheaper abroad, went to Italy, where she lived for two years. While she was gone, Mrs. Stevenson leased the Osbourne portion of the double house to friends. But Mrs. Osbourne, fearing that she would lose her property rights by remaining abroad too long, returned to San Francisco, evicted the tenants and took possession of the house. In time the rifts between Mrs. Osbourne and Mrs. Stevenson took root.

While this was going on Mrs. Stevenson was in Europe. Upon her return seeing the turn that affairs had taken, she went east and finally returned and settled near Santa Barbara. A great deal of this trouble is due to money other than that involved in the monthly allowance. Just prior to the death of the author of "Treasure Island" his father died in Scotland, leaving him \$100,000. This money went to Mrs. Stevenson on her husband's death, and on her death it will go to her son, Lloyd Osbourne. Naturally, should he die first his wife and children would come in for the money. This, Mrs. Osbourne's friends insist, is just what Mrs. Stevenson wants to prevent. To that end they assert she has gone so far as to bar Mrs. Osbourne from the house, and has kept her children away from her at different periods.

Mrs. Osbourne herself is a woman of culture and refinement and is possessed of some literary ability. She persistently has refused to discuss the rumors which from time to time during the past few months have circulated among her friends and acquaintances. When asked yesterday as to the truth of the stories told, she did not deny them, contenting herself with this statement:

GOVERNMENT SEEKING FOR TRAINED WORKERS

Civil Service Commission Announces Examinations for Government Positions.

The United States Civil Service commission announces an examination on January 15, 1908, to secure eligibles from which to make certification to fill vacancies in the position of interpreter qualified in Assyrian (Aramaic) and Greek, at \$1200 per annum, at El Paso, Texas, and vacancy in the position of interpreter qualified in Syrian (Aramaic) and Greek, and, if possible, some of the Slavonic languages, at \$1200 per annum, at Brownsville, Texas, and one vacancy in the position of interpreter qualified in Greek, Slovak and German, at \$1200 per annum, at Laredo, Texas, all in the Immigration Service, and vacancies requiring similar qualifications as they may occur in that service throughout the United States. Also an examination on January 15-16, 1908, to secure eligibles from which to make certification to fill vacancies in the position of aid in the coast and geologic survey, at \$724 per annum each, and similar vacancies as they may occur. An examination for the position of chemist aid in the bureau of chemistry, department of agriculture, at a salary of \$1000 per annum.

An examination on January 8, 1908, to secure eligibles from which to make certification to fill a vacancy in the position of engineer and steam fitter, \$500 per annum, in the quartermaster's department at Fort Jay, N. Y., and vacancies requiring similar qualifications as they may occur in any branch of the service.

No educational test will be given, and it will not be necessary for applicants to appear at any place for examination.

An examination on January 8, 1908, to secure eligibles from which to make certification to fill a vacancy in the position of stenographer, at \$8 1-4 cents per hour, in the government printing office, and vacancies requiring similar qualifications as they may occur in that office.

An examination on January 15, 1908,

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SEE OUR OTHER AD ON THIS PAGE

Sweeping Reductions in Fine Decorated China

A most unusual sale in our Crockery Department today. The very things to give as gifts and at great price reductions. We want you to visit our crockery store and see the hundreds of articles here that will make the best of Christmas presents. And we think this sale ample inducement to bring you here today. Come this morning—you'll avoid the crowd.

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\$5.00 Sets, reduced to	\$2.85
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\$3.50 Sets reduced to	\$2.45
\$3.00 Sets, reduced to	\$2.10
\$2.50 Sets, reduced to	\$1.90
\$2.00 Sets, reduced to	\$1.40
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ODDS AND ENDS OF BOWLS
Creamers, Sugars, Custard Cups, Mayonnaise Bowls, Bone Plates, and many other desirable dishes of finest decorated China regularly worth 25c each reduced for today to 10c

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Greatest of All Book Sales

Today and tomorrow we place on special sale our entire line of \$1.50 Copyright Books, which includes 50 titles by many of the most popular authors at the ridiculously low price of 39c EACH

Below are a few of their many titles from which to choose:

The Hero of the Hills	by G. Waldo Browne
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Stephen Holton	by Charles Felton Pidgen
The Last Word	by Alice MacGowan
The Mystery of Murry Davenport	by Robert Neilson Stevens
Richard Elliot	by Geo. Carling
In the Brooding Wild	by Ridgwell Cullin
Stand Pat	by David A. Courtis
Slaves of Success	by Elliot Flower

ONLY
39c
EACH

SALE OF NECK RUFFS TODAY

BLANKETS AND COMFORTERS AT 10 PER CENT DISCOUNT

Another instance where Christmas money can be expended to best advantage at this store.

Monday and Tuesday we will give 10 per cent discount on all high grade Blankets and Comforters. These blankets and comforters are of such splendid and superior quality that they will make very desirable and practical Christmas gifts. Come early for comfortable choosing.

Marysville Blankets, \$9.50 11-4 white wool Marysville Blankets of extra fine quality; blue border; no better blanket made than this. \$7.50 Eiderdown Comfort, \$6.75 Covered with best quality figured French satin; size 72x84. One of our best comforters. \$10.50 Maish Comfort \$9.45 Top covered with silk; size 73x90 inches; filled with the very best quality of pure white cotton down.	\$12.00 Blankets, \$10.80 11-4 white all wool Blanket, with pink, blue and yellow border; made of the very finest quality of long staple wool. \$15.00 Eiderdown Comfort, \$13.50 Top covered with silk, back best quality black satin; size 72x84 inches. \$11.00 Blankets, \$9.90 11-4 white wool Blanket with pink, blue and yellow border; a warm, luxurious blanket at a bargain price.	\$6.00 Comforter, \$5.40 Large size cotton filled comforter; covered with the best quality of figured French satin; you can't equal the quality of this comforter at our regular price. \$6.50 Wool Blanket, \$5.85 10-4 white wool Marysville Blanket with white and blue border, at this reduced price, Monday and Tuesday only.
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Sale of Fine Silverware

A bargain offering in the Hardware store for today and tomorrow. Fine Silver plated Spoons and Forks at the lowest prices ever asked for ware of equal quality. They were made especially for us and of the highest grade silver plated ware, warranted for 25 years.

The pattern is our "Sageoia" design, which is almost identical to the popular "Vintage" pattern. We place it on sale because it arrived too late for our holiday trade and the quantity must be reduced at once. Grand gift articles at substantial savings. Note the remarkable reductions.

Regular \$6.50 Forks, Table Spoons and Bouillon Spoons, \$5.50 Dozen.	Regular \$3.50 Tea Spoons reduced to \$2.75 Dozen.
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to secure eligibles from which to make certification to fill vacancies in the position of electrical assistant in the signal service at large, at \$500 per annum each, with prospect of promotion to \$1400 per annum, and vacancies requiring similar qualifications as they may occur in any branch of the service.

An examination on January 15, 1908, to secure eligibles from which to make certification to fill a vacancy in the position of farmer (familiar with irrigation), at the Fort Yuma school, Arizona, at \$720 per annum, and vacancies requiring similar qualifications as they may occur in the Indian service, at salaries ranging from \$600 to \$720 per annum.

An examination on January 8, 1908, to secure eligibles from which to make certification to fill a vacancy in the position of lampist and electrician, \$1800 per annum, in the custom house building, St. Louis, Mo., and vacancies requiring similar qualifications as they may occur in the Customs service throughout the United States.

For further particulars, intending applicants should apply to the nearest office of the civil service commission.

CHENDE, Colo., Dec. 22.—The big power plant of the Happy Thought mine, belonging to the United Verde Mines company, was destroyed by fire tonight. Loss estimated at \$100,000. The mine was closed on account of the depreciation in silver and the cause of the fire is unknown.

The finest coffee substitute ever made has recently been produced by Dr. Sheen of Racine, Wis. You don't have to boil it twenty or thirty minutes. "Made in a minute," says the doctor. "Health Coffee" is really the closest Coffee imitation ever yet produced. Not a grain of real Coffee in it, either. Health Coffee imitation is made from pure roasted cereals or grains, with malt, nuts, etc. Really it would fool an expert—were he to unknowingly drink of it for Coffee. Sold by—Kutner-Goldstein Co.

Switches
Switches
Mrs. A. W. McKittick, manufacturer of human hair goods, switches, pompadour, curls, puffs, etc. Combings bought. Comings made up. Dye, bleaching. Wig for rent. Room 22, Holland building, Main 1604.

Candy Specials

AT THE CANDY COUNTER

Fancy Christmas mixed candy; all kinds; lb., 15c; two pounds for 25c
Einstein's Peanut and Cocoa nut Brittle Candy, lb., 20c
"Blue Banner" Chocolates in gift boxes—
Half-pound boxes 25c
One-pound boxes 50c
Two-pound boxes \$1

TOYS! TOYS!

MANY SPECIALS.

See Santa Claus between 2 and 4 p. m.

75c Fish Ponds	59c
50c Game of Korner	40c
25c Paper Colors	19c
20c A. B. C. Blocks	15c
5c Liddle Winks	3c
35c Down the Pike	21c
25c Game of Lotto	19c
15c Game of Lotto	7c
65c Tin Kitchen	43c
Large Glass Marbles 6 for	5c
Pottery Marbles 25 for	5c
\$1.50 Air Guns	\$1.19
\$2.00 Air Guns	\$1.65
\$1.00 Wheel Barrows	79c
\$4.00 Velocipede	\$3.29
35c Iron Banks	25c
65c Mechanical Toys	47c
75c Mechanical Toys	59c
\$1.25 Autos	85c
15c Locomotives	11c
\$1.00 Shooting the Shoots	75c
75c Hook and Ladders	59c
\$2.00 Tea Sets	\$1.65
\$2.25 Tea Sets	\$1.90
\$1.25 Tea Sets	85c

A Pair of FITZESE SHOES Will Make a Sensible Gift

And with what delight and pleasure they will be received on Christmas morn. A gift that is practical and useful—something that is sure to touch the right spot and to be appreciated.

Fitzese Shoes are shoes of the highest character and yet of moderate cost. They combine everything that goes to make a satisfactory shoe. The best of materials—the best workmanship—the latest and most exclusive styles; and above all, that satisfying comfort and ease that is seldom found in shoes at any price.

They are made for both men and women and there are 25 individual styles to choose from. A style for every foot and every taste.

Give Fitzese Shoes and you will reflect great credit on your good judgment.

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GIVE A SHOE ORDER

If you don't know the size or just what style to give, get a Shoe Order and send it as a gift. The recipient can then make their own selection and will be sure of a perfect fit. Be sure to get one.

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A Handsome
Gift to Our
Customers

We will make a reduction of 10 per cent on all jewelry, clocks and silver ware; also 5 per cent on diamond goods sold by us up to Christmas eve. Our prices are in plain figures, and marked low already. We invite comparison.

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LIGHT OF JESUS WHAT IS NEEDED

American Call of the Hour Is
for Saviour's Spirit.

Rev. Chas. N. Queen Preaches
on "A Modern Meaning of
Christ's Birth."

At the First Congregational church
yesterday, Rev. C. N. Queen preached
on: "A Modern Meaning of the Birth
of Christ," taking for his text: "A
Light to Lighten the Gentiles"—Lk.
2:32.

The editor of a city paper once said
to me: "You ministers like to deal
with the things that are old. The
older the story, the better. The news-
paper man has a different perspective.
With him the news that is more than
a day old, is stale." And the editor
is right—some of the time! Too many
of us ministers are archeological. About
all we are fit for is the museum.

But there are some stories that are
eternal, fitting into every age. The
story of the birth of Jesus is such a
story. It is a living story, a story
that is to be correlated to a
"living age." The minister has to deal
with the Eternal Gospel. It is his
business to make this book what it
was ever intended to be, a book of
life, adjusting itself to every age.

The story of the birth of Jesus is
familiar. It continues to be told and
retold with growing interest and with
added revelation. Every generation has
repeated it for two thousand years, and
to every generation it has come with
added meaning. No story is so new,
and none more beautiful.

We live today. To us the story of
the birth of our Lord is full of mean-
ing. We used to think of Jesus as
a revelation of the Father; and he is.
He came to make the world acquainted
with God. But a marvel of the advent
of Jesus now is His revelation of man.
This is a modern meaning of the birth
of our Lord. The fathers feared to
preach the humanity of Jesus Christ.
But now we know Jesus as a man
speaking to men. And in his human-
ity, humanity is glorified. He is ideally
intelligible, reasonable, sympathetic.
Continually the life of Jesus is being

made manifest in the race. To Tim-
othy, the immortal apostle wrote of
the Christ, bringing life and immor-
tality to light. His is a continual re-
velation of life. He saved us by his
death; much more does he save us
by his life. Through Jesus Christ hu-
man life is still coming into view.

In looking into this subject let us
particularize, making mention of cer-
tain things which denote the modern
meaning of the birth of Jesus Christ.

Created Universally.

The birth of Jesus means the
creation of the modern university.

Just here we approach one of the
miracles of the age. A lung while
education belonged to the select few.
Schools and colleges grew into being
through a difficult way. Higher edu-
cation is a modern privilege. A cen-
tury ago and our best institutions fur-
nished curricula of our present high
school grade. If they were better in
the classics, they were inferior in the
sciences and in history and in litera-
ture. The high school of today is
more practical in its courses of study,
and equally efficient in instruction,
with Oxford, Cambridge and Harvard
of a century ago. The modern univer-
sity like Stanford, Chicago and Corn-
nell, could hardly be spoken of as
a dream a hundred years past. Out
of Egyptian bondage education has
come. In its exodus it has not been
without its experience in the wilderness
but it has more recently come into the
land of promise and of privilege. Not
alone for the purpose of furnishing
special courses of study fitting men
for special vocations, but they are for
general, original research, for investi-
gation, and special inquiry into definite
subjects; and they are carrying on
this work in undreamed of ways and
with consummate efficiency. The mod-
ern university is turning the lime
light of knowledge and culture to the
far away past making revelations
touching the history of the race of a
surprising character but of inspiring
moment; that same light is being shed
upon every vocation of man, revealing
necessities and discovering remedies
and suggesting methods of advance;
that same light is being turned to the
future of the race, discovering the bet-
ter ways of life, and commanding the
race in the way it should go for its
material, social and spiritual growth.
Knowledge is one of the special keys
to the kingdom of heaven.

The life and teachings of Jesus are
the foundation stones of modern in-
quiry and research, for which the uni-
versity affords special preparation and
fitness. There is not a university in
America which was possible, but
for the birth of the lowly child, Je-
sus.

Stimulated Fine Arts.

The birth of Jesus meant the
creation of modern music, painting,
sculpture and letters.

When Jesus was born in Bethlehem
there were set in motion vibrations
of growing power, increasing mo-
mentum, diffusive yet concentrative,
swelling in volume but increasing in
fineness and tenderness.

The rude music of primitive life,
has grown into modern symphonies
and anthems, and hymns and songs of
exquisite beauty, profound harmony,
and entrancing melody.

Sculpture has been redeemed from
its grotesque beauty and its passion-
ate suggestiveness, making a growing
contribution to the agencies of racial
progress. Painting has come into sub-
jective proficiency related to psychol-
ogy after a manner which summons
all the world to look on the holy child
Jesus and live—live in the altitudes of
refined holy manhood.

Literature has made transcendent
progress. Increasingly has it rooted
itself in the gospel message of the
New Testament. The chief personali-
ty of modern literature is the Christ.
It was John the Baptist who said of
Jesus, "He must increase." Of a truth
you may see Him making his pilgrim-
age in growing power, and in multi-
plied influence, and with commanding
triumph, through the literature of the
times. The greatest poems, the most
profound essays, the most influential
books, everywhere the best in modern
literature, would be impossible but
for the advent of the Christ. Not only
so but literature has achieved many
proportions, a serviceableness and in-
spiration impossible but for the incar-
nation of Jesus Christ in the modern
message of the author. In this two
thousand years distance from the cradle
in Bethlehem, Jesus continues "a
light to lighten the gentiles."

The birth of Jesus meant the
guardian of justice, the evangel of
freedom, the apostle of humanity.

The voice of the unjust judge has
not been altogether silenced; but the
voices of just judges have been multi-
plying. In the west—speaking of the
west from Judea—the light of justice
before the courts, and between man
and man, has been growing brighter.

Reading the history of modern civiliza-
tion in Europe makes this a modern
message of the author. In this two
thousand years distance from the cradle
in Bethlehem, Jesus continues "a
light to lighten the gentiles."

To the west the sign of the Cross
has moved inspiring. Up from Galilee,
on through Asia, across through
Greece, traversing Italy, climbing the
Alps, into Germany and France, cross-
ing the Pyrenees to Spain and Portu-
gal, sailing the English channel, lead-
ing on through the United Kingdom,
and finally crossing the Atlantic to
take possession of the new continent,
Nazareth—the pilgrim-teacher of Pal-
estine—the Good Samaritan of the Jeri-
cho road—the immortal preacher of
the kingdom of heaven, wends His
way, saying, "If you would be free-
men, follow Me." Behold the procession! It
is not a march of solitude and loneli-
ness! As Europe hears the command-
ing invitation to follow Him, every-
where are heard the loud and glad
shouts of themselves with Him. From the
pasture land of Syria, and the grain
fields of Russia, and the forests of
Prussia, and the fisheries of the Adri-
atic, and the folds of Switzerland and
the highlands of Scotland—from ev-
ery whither of all castles join the army
of this triumphant Leader, crying as
they do, "Onward, and still onward!
For we are free men!"

America's Prodigy of History.

In America that leadership is con-
summately hopeful. According to the
dictates of his own conscience the citi-
zen under the stars and stripes is
privileged to worship God; but the
glory of the beginning of the twentieth
century in this: including children, In-
dians, and aliens, one to every four
and a quarter of the population is enrolled
in this army of freedom. America, under
the command and leadership of Christ,
is the prodigy of all history.

Here the guardianship of justice is en-
throned. From America in all the
world the word of freedom is going
bringing blessing. Freedom in Amer-
ica has accentuated freedom on con-
tinent Europe, in the dominion of the
throne of England, in oriental
Japan and in other Asiatic countries;
in Africa, in South America, in the is-
lands of the sea—in all the world! It
seems as if it had been the plan of
God to reserve America for the priestly
service of justice and the evangelistic
agent of liberty and freedom, equality
and brotherhood.

A new chapter and the latest in the
gospel of humanity now is read in the
history of the American people. It
would be folly for us to claim every
virtue. The victories of freedom and
humanity are not all of our achieve-
ments. But scarcely can a district be
found where the value of the individual
citizen counts for as much. Not that
he has attained perfection, but Ameri-
canism stands for humanity. One of
the fundamental articles of its na-
tional creed is that of the divine right
of the individual. Oppression and tyr-
anny among any people strikes the
chord of sympathy in the heart of
an American; a notable demonstra-
tion of this was made when Cuba was
in the toils of Spanish misrule. In
an unusual manner the unfortunate
classes of the social order have been
and are being cared for. Perhaps
Americanism has not passed its experi-
mental stage, nevertheless almost
three centuries of experience have
taught many useful lessons, and they
could not be persuaded to exchange
their virtues for any system of govern-
ment not of their own type. The pri-
mary excellencies of the spirit of hu-
manity were developed under unusual
disciplinary methods. One fathers were
a century and a half in the crucible; not
were their tribulations at an end when
the immortal Declaration of Independ-
ence was signed. The price of
human life as well as human liberty
was determined in the blood of patri-
ots. Other forms of government
have given symmetry to the architec-
tural designs of cities and public in-
stitutions; by fixed laws they have de-
termined the attitude of the average
citizen; they have ordered the multitude
to walk in well ordered paths; but here
under the stars and stripes, the world
witnesses the greatest display of power and author-
ity, every citizen is a brother having
rights recognized as divine and inalien-
able. He builds after his own designs;
he orders after his own will and
pleasure; he governs himself; and
above all other systems of govern-
ment known he contributes an element
of character to himself and his children
of unequalled value.

Nation Before World.

As guardians of justice, ordained as
the evangel of freedom and the apostle
of humanity, we are consciously before
the world. To this position we

have become because of our following
in the footsteps of "A light to
lighten the gentiles." It is the fruit-
ing of the Burman on the Mount, and
the parables by the wayside. It re-
ceived its first contribution when the
wise men from the East returned to
their own country daring to be dis-
courteous even to the king in whose
domain they were. It received its sec-
ond contribution when Joseph took
Mary and the young child and became
pilgrims rather than submit to the tyr-
anny of the king. The seed of jus-
tice, of freedom, of humanity were
generously distributed by the man of
Nazareth, and so securely planted in
the human heart, that it was destined
to grow into power, and American
soil became the fruitful garden where
they have been cultivated into fruit-
bearing, instructing and enlightening
in all the world.

4. But finally the modern meaning
of the birth of Jesus brings to us the
prophecy of a recovered humanity
dressed in the righteousness of the Al-
mighty. It was John who wrote the
apocalyptic chapter of the gospel; and
it is America who is writing the apoc-
alyptic chapter of human history. To
me it is very prophetic. Human ad-
vance has been so rapid and human
progress so re-assuring upon the soil
of this new continent, that it ad-
dresses itself to the human heart in
the most hopeful spirit. It is not
without reason that we shall yet make
mistakes as we have in the past; but
it is equally within the bounds of reason
that we shall soon record victories
and achievements transcending signifi-
cance to the human race. Redemption
is ideal but it is practical. The trans-
formation Ralph Connor makes
the doctor bring to the lumber camp
is as practical as it is ideal. The hy-
pocrite and the pessimist say the Ser-
mon on the Mount is alright, and they
believe it is, but in this world of com-
petition that sermon cannot be reduced
to practice! That is un-American.

Americanism has a growing conviction
in the practicality of the Sermon on
the Mount and its transforming power
is universally asserted by them. With
increasing faith we believe in the tri-
umph of the gospel message. What of
justice, and freedom, of liberty, and
brotherhood, of equality and humanity,
have been recovered to the race
through the channel of American his-
tory and life, are but prophetic that
humanity in all the world shall yet be
recovered through the gospel message
and be dressed in the seamless robe of
the righteousness of the Almighty.

Therefore the call of this hour is for
a continued approach to the light. If
Jesus is the light to lighten the gentiles
and we have the light, then let us turn
on the light. Turn it on government,
on the municipal order, on the market
places, on domestic relations, on so-
ciety, on education, and certainly on
religion, that evil may appear hideous
and righteousness attractive. And
while the light is being turned on oth-
ers, do not thou stand in the dark.
"Come to the light," is shining for
thee. Order thy life in the light of
all that is good and true and holy. If
thou dost, thou wilt surely be walking
in the light of Him who said, "I am
the light of the world." And if thou
dost, thou wilt surely be walking in
the light of Him of whom it was
said, "A light to lighten the gentile."

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The youth and the girl were madly in
love with each other, but their parents
objected to their marriage, and, being
under age, they could not secure a
license to wed. They eloped and came
to Stockton, but, wishing to keep out
of the beaten path, where they might
be traced, they secured a small cabin,
and he chopped wood to support him-
self and the girl.

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ful appearance of the couple for five
months and they were unusually
happy, but in some manner the author-
ities got track of the elopers, and to-
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Rev. J. E. Moore Preaches on Vital Subject.

Christ Is Remedy for Graft and Public Evils of "Prosperity."

Rev. J. E. Moore of St. Paul's M. E. church, South, preached yesterday morning before a large congregation on the text, "But whereunto shall I liken this generation? Is it like unto children sitting in the markets and calling unto their fellows, and saying, we have piped unto you, and ye have not danced; we have mourned unto you, and ye have not lamented. For John came neither eating nor drinking, and they say, he hath a devil. The Son of Man came eating and drinking, and they say, behold a man drunk and a winebibber, a friend of publicans and sinners. But wisdom is justified of her children." Matt. 11:16-19.

He said in part: "I propose this morning to honor in the breach the custom of preaching a Christmas sermon on the birth of Jesus. There is no one present who does not know the story of his miraculous birth as set forth in the only written or unwritten history that has come down to us. Christ lived; that is the great fact. What He was and is interests us profoundly, and a matter of the deepest concern, and no theory, ancient or modern, of the manner of His birth, can make Him other than He is; nor detract in the slightest from the real and tremendous forces that He began to exert and continues to exert among men."

Mr. Moore went on then to show how Christ was a disappointment to the men of His time; the fact to which the words of the text refer. If, like John, "He came neither eating nor drinking," He had a devil; if, unlike John, He came "eating and drinking," He was "drunk and a winebibber." Christ's generation had a grievance against Him. Mr. Moore stated that this was because He did not follow the public lead. He said that Christ recognized the attitude of His generation toward him, but contented Himself with a statement of the case.

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The sentiment, however, overshadowed Him, and finally brought Him to Calvary.

Society is Still Growing.
 "The society that bears no warning, and feels no well to life from Jesus Christ," he said, "is the society that is still growing—that has not yet come to its harvest of safety and unrest. A community regards neither church nor God and wildly throws itself into the struggle to call 'great prosperity' and heads no warning until 'graft' like a ravenous wolf, hamstringing the hobby it calls 'prosperity,' and threatens the integrity of government and the safety of society. 'Then some sane persons begin to cast about for help, and inevitably find it in the righteousness of the rejected Jesus.' Showing that it is characteristic of men and society that at times they feel impelled to turn to Christ for a surer footing, he said that it was strange that it was for these very things that Christ was despised and rejected of men."

He said in part: "Like John the Baptist, He took the call, 'Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand.' Those who heard Him, understood Him, and because they did they hated Him. To the tax gatherer, it meant, 'quit taking advantage of your legal position to line your pockets by graft and oppression.' To every man, it meant, 'quit using force, opportunity, position, and influence to do wrong and oppress.' In plain words, Christ said, stop being a parasite and live by your honest effort. Quit wronging your family by being a miserable parasite and absorbing sin drink for yourself what belongs to them to live upon. Stop playing the parasite on your employers, or upon your customers—for the people with whom you deal or for whom you work."

Not long ago I read of a New York politician walking up and calmly taking a banana from a push cart. The writer described in a humorous way the effort of the Italian who owned the cart to look pleasant while submitting to that species of graft. It was exasperating and safer for the Italian to be pilfered by that grafter than it would have been to demand justice and such treatment as a brother man ought to receive from a brother man. The Italian would doubtless be able to feel the force of and see the reason for Christ's demand for social sympathy and brotherhood, but the policeman would consider him a "stumbling block and an offense," and the policeman represents the stronger and dominant element. He could put the Italian out of business, probably would do so, if his parasite methods were resented, and he represents the spirit that rejected and crucified Christ.

"Now and again, some paragon of learning pips up his head and says, 'preachers and women are bothering with the small things, like the vice of drink, Sabbath breaking, card playing and the dance hall. Men take broader views, and condemn sin that threatens society. When things grow so bad that a halt must be called, some oracle rises up to say that men can do things, let the women preachers stand aside.' A rational looker-on can scarcely refrain from asking the 'men' who brought about the crisis, which threatens these self-same men, if not these self-same men? Those preachers and women did not produce the crisis. But they have offended. While the 'men' have been heedlessly

rushing on to a terrible crisis they have maintained the standard upon which men may rally for a safer and saner form of life. Society is made of men. A society of moral lepers is a leperous society, and to rid it of leprosy, the individual members must be individually cleansed. Christ so taught Nicodemus. He made a personal application of the doctrine of personal purity and soundness when He instructed that ruler of the Jews. "But whether 'men,' preachers, or women are the actors or leaders in the search for safety, they find but one who is the universal ideal."

Mr. Moore went on to show that Christ had been called a Great Socialist, or the Great Representative of one class or the other, but that in reality Christ was none of these, or any of them only as His teachings of truth and morality chance to touch the questions involved in any of those various lines. Christ demanded the change in the individual life of men, he showed, which served the highest in man, and tended to lift society the most through the uplift of the individual. Today, he said, Christ faces standards as widely at variance with His, as in ancient times. Finally, he showed that love and fraternity were the fundamental principles of the kingdom of God, and the ideal society. And, he added, "All this to be saved in heaven? Yes, this much to be saved on earth."

BAPTIST CHURCH UNION SERVICES

Large Attendance Marks Sunday Joint Meeting.

Various Races Who Belong to Faith Add to Interest of Gathering.

A very unique and interesting service was held last night at the First Baptist church in which all the Baptist interests of the city participated. The house was well filled with representatives of the Poles Memorial mission, the Second Baptist church (colored), the German Baptists, and there were also several Chinese from the mission, as well as members of the First church.

In the opening address of welcome, Rev. Brown, pastor of the First church, expressed his satisfaction in having such a large union meeting, and spoke of the need of united work for the advancement of the church interests. He gave a short review of the Baptist work in Fresno, and said there were nearly as many of that denomination in Fresno as in San Francisco. In speaking of the Pacific Baptist, the official organ of the Pacific denomination on this coast, he said that the Fresno church stood third in number of subscriptions of all churches on this coast.

Speaking for the Powis Memorial mission, Mr. Page, assistant superintendent of the Mission Sunday school, said the mission work was begun on April 17th, 1904, in a small tent, workers from the First church helping to organize. The attendance grew until the quarters were too small and a legacy of \$1000 being given for the purpose of building a chapel, the church added another \$1000, and \$1000 more from the Mission society, a chapel was built in September, 1905, called and dedicated as the "Powis Memorial Mission" in honor of the one by whom the first \$1000 was given.

A particularly interesting feature of the meeting was a song by the Chinese boys in their own language. In commenting on the work of the Chinese mission, Rev. Brown spoke very highly of the work done there by Miss Stein, who has labored among those people for twenty years. On account of sickness she was unable to address the audience in behalf of the work.

The workers from the German church also sang a song in their own language. The pastor, Rev. C. E. Kiefer, spoke of the work of the people throughout the country, and emphasized the need of such work among the people coming here, unable to understand the language of Americans. He showed how religious work among the German people made them become desirable citizens. He spoke of the benevolent work that is being done in providing homes for the aged, the orphans and for homeless girls. The membership at the last report he stated was 27, 443 in all the German churches. He said that his people here in Fresno were in the light against the nation.

The interests of the Colored Baptists, were spoken of by the pastor, Rev. J. W. Morgan, and he said that the Colored church here was not moving along with other churches of their kind, but ahead of other churches. In speaking of their work financially, he said that after paying all expenses during the past year they were able to put about \$1000 in the bank toward a fund for building new church.

A song by the colored people was very much enjoyed. C. W. Fisher of the First church, spoke of the need of an assistant pastor, or city missionary, and was followed by A. L. Wadsworth, who emphasized the need of unification of forces for good in this city.

The Barnek Men's chorus furnished special music, and the Barnek Quartet, composed of Messrs. Jordan, Ashton, Kinney and Rudge, also sang a selection.

JOHN STAYER DIES AT DAUGHTER'S HOME

John Stayer succumbed to a complicated attack of heart trouble at the home of his daughter, Mrs. T. E. Mabey, 115 Glenn avenue yesterday at the age of 72 years. His death was not unexpected, he having been in poor health for a long time. He came to Fresno in 1905.

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